The Mezzanine Gallery to Exhibit Jennifer Border's Site-Specific Installation "Owing to Circumstances"



Wilmington, Del. (October 25, 2017) — Owing to Circumstances is a participatory site specific installation that will be on view in the Mezzanine Gallery from November 3-22, 2017. An opening reception to meet the artist will be held on Friday, November 3 from 5-7 p.m. Borders received a 2017 Emerging Fellowship in Sculpture.

Borders designed this installation specifically for the Mezzanine Gallery after multiple visits and meetings with staff. The exhibition was inspired by her own family's immigration story and the stories from a previous installation in which Borders asked visitors to sit and write in a notebook about their family's history and why they came to the United States. The artist transcribed these responses in the handwriting of each author into drawings that will be suspended from the ceiling in the Gallery. Visitors will have the opportunity to add their own family's history to her notebook. With this work, Borders hopes to "stimulate conversations about where we have come from, our current places in this country, and in this world."

Borders will donate all proceeds to Refugee Integration Support Effort (RISE) of the Jewish Family Services of Delaware.

The Mezzanine Gallery, open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., is located in the Carvel State Office Building, 820 N. French Street, Wilmington.

Learn more about Borders with our YouTube <u>Meet the Artist</u> video series.

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